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FOLLOWING REPEAT NICOSIA 0861 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ATHENS
ANKARA LONDON MONTREAL SECDEF WASHDC DATED MAR 29:

QTE: UNCLAS NICOSIA 0861

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, CY

SUBJECT: AIR OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN PART OF NICOSIA FIR

REF. (A) NICOSIA 0811, (DTG 231547Z MAR 77)
(B) STATE 067248 (DTG 260056Z MAR 77)

1. FOLLOWING INFO ACCORDING TO GOC DIRECTOR CIVIL AVIATION
(DCA):

(A) GOC ON MARCH 26, 1977 OPENED AIRWAY AMBER 16 RUNNING
NORTH-SOUTH DIRECTION THROUGH NICOSIA FIR LINKING ANKARA
FIR AND CAIRO FIR.

(B) FOLLOWING RECENT IATA RECOMMENDATION TO DCA, GOC ON
MARCH 26, 1977 REACTIVATED VOICE HF CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS
WITH ANKARA ATC. NICOSIA ATC NOW PROVIDES TO ANKARA FULL
FLIGHT INFO (AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION, AIRWAY DESIGNATION,
DESTINATION, ETC) REGARDING AIRCRAFT TRAVELLING
THROUGH NICOSIA FIR WITH DESTINATION TURKEY. GOC
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HAD SENT PRIOR TELEX TO ANKARA ANNOUNCING RE-ESTABLISHMENT
OF SERVICE. DCA ASSUMES ANKARA IS RECEIVING THE FLIGHT INFO
MESSAGES BUT SAYS ANKARA NEITHER ACKNOWLEDGES NOR RESPONDS TO
NICOSIA SIGNALS.

(C) GOC UNABLE TO MONITOR ERCAN FREQUENCIES ON REGULAR
BASIS BUT FROM SPOT MONITORING IT APPEARS ERCAN IS DIRECTING
CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC TO CONTACT NICOSIA ATC

DIRECTLY.

(D) ANKARA ATC NOW ALLOWING INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC
CROSSING TURKEY BOUND FOR NICOSIA FIR TO CALL NICOSIA ATC,
WHILE STILL OVER MAINLAND TURKEY.

2. FROM GOC DIRECTOR CIVIL AVIATION POINT OF VIEW AIR OPERATIONS
IN NICOSIA FIR HAVE RETURNED TO MORE NORMAL AND SAFER BASIS.

3. COMMENT: REOPENING OF AMBER 16 SUGGESTS GOC REEXAMINED AIR
OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN PART OF NICOSIA FIR WITH VIEW TO
REDUCE GROUNDS FOR TURKISH CLAIMS THAT
GOC WAS NOT PROVIDING AS FULL AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE IN THE
NICOSIA FIR AS IT COULD.
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